CATHOLIC CHAPEL OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY BULLETIN

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Genesis 2: 18-24, Hebrews 2: 9-11, Mark 10: 2-16 or 10: 2-16 or 10: 2-12

FOCUS: Sacred marriage is threefold—God, Man, and woman.

From the beginning of creation, God created man and woman to form a union as one. When Adam was alone, he found no suitable partner among all the creatures which God had created, so God created woman to be a helpmate and a partner for him. Adam named her Eve, meaning life, for she was the mother of all the living. God made humans to be equal as persons and complementary as male and female. Man and woman were given a share in creation through God's gift of sexuality. From the beginning, husband and wife were to form a partnership, separate from every other alliance, one in which children were to be born and nurtured. To achieve this bond would mean giving up all other attachments for the sake of the one union, and that would entail sacrifice.

The greatest sign of love is sacrifice. Jesus said that there is no greater love than to lay down one's life for another (cf. John 15:13). As Jesus gave his life for the Church, husbands and wives are called to make sacrifices in their individual lives for the sake of the life they hold in common. Only when this happens can husband and wife live the commitment they made on their wedding day to their marriage covenant. Because the marriage covenant is a sacred one in which God is a partner, the vows are to be taken seriously and pronounced publically before witnesses and a minister of God's Church.

The marriage covenant, as willed by the Creator, is one which is to remain intact for a lifetime. Although in the Old Testament Moses allowed for divorce, this was not the original directive of God concerning marriage. The permanence of marriage was preached by Jesus and, when entered into knowingly and willingly by mature Christians, it is aided by the graces of the sacrament of the Church. When a husband and a wife pattern their love for one another after Christ's love for his Church, then their marriage is a blessing to their family and to the community in which they live. When prayer and sacrifice are part of their union, it can withstand any obstacle which the world may place in its path.

The lesson we hear today does not indicate that all Christian marriages are miraculously free of difficulty or that troubled marriages are doomed to failure. The Church recognizes the complexities of modern life and how that can have an impact on the most sincere commitments of her people.

The Church provides various ways to assist engaged couples as they prepare for marriage and programs which help husbands and wives strengthen their marriages through sharing and prayer.

The family circle is sometimes referred to as the domestic church where the faith is first passed to children by their parents. The center and heart of this church is the love the members have for one another which acknowledges the sacrifice of each person for the advancement of the whole.

While the Church holds as sacred the permanence of marriage, she does not turn away from those whose marriage has failed for whatever reason. The Church invites all to come for spiritual strengthening through the sacraments and the prayers of the community. Families in need of advice and support should be able to look first to their Church and find there a welcoming spirit and a helping hand. We pray today for peace and grace within the families of our parish and for God's grace on all who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

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An Exciting New Catholic Apologetics Study Course

Will begin October 23 at Most Holy Trinity! Study nights will be every Thursday evening from 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM.

If you've ever found certain questions hard to answer, this study might be for you. Questions such as: "Where is purgatory in the Bible?" "Why do you confess your sins to a priest?" "Why do you pray to Mary and the saints?" "Are you born again?" "Are you saved?" "Didn't Mary have more children after Jesus?" "Why does your Bible contain seven more books than mine?"

Learn to explain your faith clearly, defend it charitably, and share it confidently. To sign up for the Catholic Apologetics Study call: Tom and Elisa Bell at 446-8753

SCRIPTURE FOR WEEK OF OCT 5, 2003

Mon – Jonah 1: 1—2: 1, 11, Luke 10: 25-37

Blessed Marie-Rose

Tue – Jonah 3: 1-10, Luke 10: 38-42

Our Lady of the Rosary

Wed – Jonah 4: 1-11, Luke 11: 1-4 Thurs – Malachi 3: 13-20a, Luke 11: 5-13

Saint John Leonardi

- Joel 1: 13-15; 2: 1-2, Luke 11: 15-26 Fri

- Joel 4: 12-21, Luke 11: 27-28

Blessed Virgin Mary

ANNOUNCED MASSES

4 Oct 1715 Parishioners of MHT 5 Oct 0900 Parishioners of MHT Sat Sun 6 Oct 1100 Parishioners of MHT Sun 7 Oct 1205 James Hammett Mon Tue 8 Oct 1205 Gladys Ballard 9 Oct 1205 Wed Thurs 10 Oct 1205 Mary Pavlovcak 11 Oct 1205 Michael D. Biskup Fri

Attendance and Offering Last Weekend:

Attendance 858 Offering \$2,991.61

The next Designated Offering: Oct 18/19 will be for

"Mission Sunday"

LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS OCT 11-12

1715

0900

1100

USHERS FOR OCT 11-12

1715 Cindy Scullion

0900 Ninness

1100 Walton / Lunn

ALTAR SERVERS OCT 11-12

1715 Kelsey Ragsdale, Andrea Glen, Stephanie Huber

0900 James Strunck, Michael Strunck, Joe Strunck

1100 Jennifer Barrow, Beth Jones, Michelle Jones

LECTORS FOR OCT 11-12

1715 Dan Ragsdale / Roy Ragsdale

0900 Tom & Mary Julich

1100 Dan O'Brien / Janet Sloan

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I have a question. Whom do I call?

<u>Pastoral Coordinator</u>...Kate Hayden 938-8760 <u>Chaplain's Assistant...</u> SPC Alexander 938-3721

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Faith Formation, Rel. Education of Children & Adults, RCIA.

<u>Wedding Coordinator</u>....Lorraine Finn...932-2784
Wedding information, scheduling, paperwork,
Pre-Cana/Engaged Encounter information.

<u>Director of Music</u>.... Meredith Baker...938-3544
Adult, Children's and Cadet Choir, Wedding Music, Liturgical Music.

<u>Pastor</u>.... Fr. Joseph Deponai...938-3721 Reconciliation, Baptism, Anointing of the Sick, Pastoral and Sacramental Concerns.

Cadet Issues Fr. Edson Wood.... 938-2784

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RECONCILIATION, ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND BENEDICTION:

Wednesday 1820 –1930 at MHT Chapel

OUTREACH

Food for the Needy-Anyone interested in making items for the St. Patrick's soup kitchen may contact Jeanne at 446-0503. The meal for September is breakfast/breads/muffins and can be delivered to 1004 B Bartlett Loop Tuesday September 23 between 4-8pm.

You can just change the menu and date each month. Information for the fall semester is: October 21-lunch/sandwiches November 18-dinner/chili December 16 holiday/cookies and treats.

OPERATION FREEDOMS LIBRARY

During the month of October, the Military Council of Catholic Women will be collecting new/used books/magazines in support of Operation Freedoms Library. Operation Freedoms Library distributes the books/magazines to the soldiers deployed in the Middle East region. Books/magazines can be delivered to 565 B Connor Loop, sent with children to religious education classes, placed in the Operation Freedoms Library Drop Box at Most Holy Trinity, or brought to the next MCCW event. Be sure to ask your neighbors to donate books they have out for the post wide yard sale! For more information, please contact Vanessa Florence at 446-7838.

Dates to Remember

Religious Education Highlights: Sacrament Parent Meetings and Rites:

5 October- Reconciliation and First Euc harist Parent Meeting, Thayer Hall Room 348, 0920hrs. (Eligible candidates 2nd grade and above)

**Please bring original baptismal certificate -a copy is needed for our records but the original must be seen.

19 October-Rite of Enrollment -Reconciliation and First Communion, 1100 Mass, Chapel

19 October- Confirmation Parent Meeting, Thayer Hall Room 348, 0920. (Eligible candidates 8th grade and above)

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2 November-Rite of Enrollment-Confirmation, 1100 Mass, Chapel

Important Dates to Remember:

12 October- No Religious Education Class- Columbus Day Weekend

Tues Nights—RCIA, 1930 Rm 5326 Washington Hall,

POC: "Ms. Kay" Heppes @ 938-8761,

3 Oct – MCCW First Friday Mass & Potluck

13 Oct—Columbus Day – Daily Mass 0900

22 Oct— MCCW Program Catholic Perspectives on Secular Holidays, MHT Rectory, 1800

26 Oct—Daylight Saving time ends @ 2am, Time to Fall back 1 hour.

The Saturday Daily Mass is at 0900 hours at MHT. Come and join us!

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: GOD'S TYM (Total Youth Ministries)

POC Michelle Kelley @ 424-3609

October 5 - God's TYM 7-9pm. This weeks program is Crossroads. Come and join us in fun filled skits.

October 12 - No God's TYM

October 19 - God's TYM 7-9pm

"8 Minutes with Jesus"

October 26 - God's TYM 7-9 pm

Our Missionary Church - guest speaker from Graymoor.

November 2 - God's TYM 7-9 pm-Cemetery Prayer Service & Halloween Fun

Musings from the Pastor's Corner

Our Most Holy Trinity Parish Family celebrates the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) Rite of Acceptance today at the 1100 Mass. The Church reintroduced the RCIA after the Second Vatican Council as a major renewal movement of the Church. The RCIA process challenges us all to constantly evaluate our growth in our relationship with Jesus in our sacramental/parish life.

We thank the men and women who are beginning their walk with the MHT parish family in this year's RCIA program. As we ask them to pray with and for us, we pray with and for them.

While at the Archdiocese for Military Service, U. S. A., a Paulist priest shared that many young people think Vatican II means the place where the Pope stays during the Summer- Casta Gandolpho.

Speaking of the Pope, Cardinal Rat zinger publicly asked people to pray for the Holy Father in an interview through the Zenit News Agency. So, let us pray for the Pope as he deals with his sickness.

This weekend, United Catholic Fellowship (UCF) is holding a retreat in Garrison, N.Y. at the Capuchin Youth and Family Ministry Center. It will have about 35 Cadets and about 20 Team members. SPC Paul Alexander, our MHT Chaplain Assistant, has volunteered to cook for the entire weekend! We thank all those who are making the weekend! Please keep them in your prayers!

Spend time with Jesus in the Eucharist: Wednesday, 1820-1925 @ MHT. Exposition, Adoration, and Benediction. Confessions are available!

Come join us for Mass this First Saturday at 0900 at MHT. Our Lady has promised that those who observe the First Saturday devotion will make it to Heaven!

With Gratitude and Prayer,

Fr. Jerry